

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the extent to which these norms will be helpful for exports?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b). A revised procedure of considering applications under 100% EOU's and EPZ Schemes had been introduced with delegation of some specific powers of Board of Approvals/Administrative Ministries to Development Commissioners of EPZs. Certain procedural simplifications have also been effected.

(c). With the procedural simplification and delegation of powers, the units working under the two Schemes are expected to give better performance.

[*Translation*]

Setting up of an Agency to Supervise Functioning of Sick Public Sector Units

1380. SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the workload and the jurisdiction of the Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction has increased manifold;

(b) if so, whether any parallel agency is proposed to be set up to supervise the functioning of the sick public sector units; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Does not arise.

[*English*]

Selling Price of VSF and HWM FIBRE.

1381. SHRI KARIYA MUNDA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the companies manufacturing viscose staple fibre and High Viscosity Manomex fibre in the country and the prices at which these fibres were sold in January, 1990;

(b) whether the price of Viscose Staple Fibre has been increased a number of times during the last two years;

(c) if so, the steps taken by the Government to check price rise thereof;

(d) whether the Government propose to take over distribution of indigenous Viscose Staple Fibre and also fix the price thereof; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) A Statement is attached.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) There is no statutory price control on V.S.F. The price increases can be attributed to the overall increase in the prices of almost all commodities, raw materials/input used in the manufacture of V.S.F., Government levies, wages, etc.

(d) At present there is no such proposal under consideration of the Government.

(e) Does not arise in view of (d) above.